

CROXLEY GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER
ON THURSDAY 14 MAY 2009 AT 8.00PM

David Allison – Clerk to the Council
Amanda Taft – Minute Taker

AGM42/09 To Record those Present and Apologies for Absence

Cllr Norman – In the Chair

Cllrs Bains, Bennett, Birch Brading, Brand, Dann, C Jefford, Martin, Saxon, Seabourne (arrived after the start of the meeting), Seeley, Shafe, Vassiliou and Wynne-Jones

Not Present: Cllr Hollands

Voting Members – 14 rising to 15

One member of the public was present

AGM43/09 Election of Chairman

It was proposed by Cllr Saxon and seconded by Cllr Bennett that Cllr Birch be nominated Chairman for the year 2009/2010. There being no other nominations, Cllr Birch was elected Chairman of Croxley Green Parish Council for the year 2009/2010.

AGM44/09 Acceptance of Office

Cllr Birch thanked Members for their vote of confidence and accepted the Chairmanship. Cllr Birch then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office which was countersigned by the Clerk.

Cllr Seabourne arrived at this point.

AGM45/09 Election of Vice Chairman

The new Chairman asked for proposals for the office of Vice Chairman of the Council for the year 2009/2010. It was proposed by Cllr Seeley and seconded by Cllr Bennett that Cllr Shafe be elected Vice Chairman. There being no other nominations, Cllr Shafe was elected Vice Chairman of Croxley Green Parish Council for the year 2009/2010.

AGM46/09 Composition of the Committees

The Clerk advised that Standing Orders states a maximum of 7 Members per Committee. Currently the Committees were made up as follows:

Planning & Development - 5 Members

Environment & Amenity - 6 Members due to the election of Cllr Birch as Chairman

Finance & Administration - 6 Members

Cllr Norman requested the vacancy on the Environment and Amenity Committee. There being no other nominations for the Environment and Amenity Committee, it was agreed Cllr Norman takes up the vacancy. There were no requests for the two vacancies on the Planning and Development Committee.

The Clerk advised that two Cllrs are again without portfolio.

AGM47/09 Chairman and Vice Chairman of Standing Committees

Cllr Birch declared an adjournment to allow the Committees to elect their Chairman and Vice Chairman.

When the meeting reconvened, it was reported that the Committees would be constituted as follows for the year 2009/2010:

	P&D Committee	E&A Committee	F&A Committee**
Chairman	Cllr Bennett	Cllr Norman	Cllr Birch
Vice-Chairman	Cllr Bains	Cllr Martin	Cllr Shafe

**The F&A Committee comprises of six members – Chair and Vice Chair of the Council, P&D and E&A.

AGM48/09 Council Representations on Outside Bodies and Organisations

AGM48.1/09 Road Safety – Cllr Saxon stated that he wished to represent the Parish Council at these meetings and this was agreed.

AGM48.2/09 – Joint Committee of Parish Councils – The Clerk advised that the representatives from Croxley Green Parish Council are normally the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and the Clerk. Cllrs Birch and Shafe were in agreement with this.

AGM48.3/09 – Three Rivers Environmental Forum – Cllr Wynne-Jones stated that he would like to represent the Parish Council at these meetings and this was agreed.

AGM48.4/09 – NHS Local Representation (Community Voice) – Cllr Brading offered up his position as representative of the Parish Council at these meetings as they tended to clash with his meetings at District Council. Cllr Wynne-Jones put his name forward, and it was agreed that he would act as the Parish Council's representative.

AGM48.5/09 – Any Other External Representation – there were none.

AGM49/09 Annual Subscriptions

Cllr Birch introduced this item and suggested that the following subscriptions should be considered 'en-block':

AGM49.1/09	Campaign to Protect Rural England	27.00
AGM49.2/09	Community Development Agency for Hertfordshire	25.00
AGM49.3/09	Hertfordshire Association of Parish & Town Councils	1426.28
AGM49.4/09	National Association of Local Councils	105.00
AGM49.5/09	Society of Local Council Clerks	182.00
AGM49.6/09	The Open Space Society	30.00
AGM49.7/09	Direct Information Service (NALC)	90.00
AGM49.8/09	Horticulture Week	92.00
AGM49.9/09	Community for Volunteer Services (CVS)	10.00

The annual subscriptions were agreed.

AGM50/09 Closure

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.18pm.